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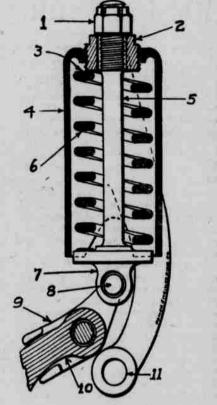
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Interesting News Notes of Northwest

Sawmills Start Up.

MARSHFIELD, Or .- Several sawmills have recently started operation in this territory, which means the employment of several thousand men during the Summer. While the lumber prices are low, yet the indications are that a splendid year in the lumber industry is assured.

Fruit Crop Assured.

MEDFORD, Or .- Fruit trees are in full bloom. Apples and pears have already reached a stage where a bumper crop is assured for this year. Indications point to a fair price, and it is now believed that all fruit in this territory will find a ready market in the United States, even if the war continues.

Many New Farmhouses.

WEISER, Ida.—A great many new farmhouses are being built in this section, owing to the low price of lumber and the high price of wheat and alfalfa. Crop conditions are the best seen in sev-

Agricultural Summer School.

PUYALLUP, Wash.—A Summer school in the various branches of agriculture, horticulture, manual training and domestic science will be held at this place from June 21 to July 30. F. O. Kreager, principal of the Washington State College elementary department, will be in charge elementary department, will be in charge,

Promise Bumper Crops.

GRANDVIEW, Wash.—Orchards in this district are in full bloom and already give great promise of a bumper crop The pear crop, from present indication, will be the greatest in years.

Fruit Growers Meet.

CENTRALIA, Wash.—A meeting of the Washington Fruit Growers' Associa-tion was held at the Commercial Club Saturday. Last year's fruit crop in this territory was marketed at a profit, due to the co-operation of the various counties. J. O. Norton was elected president and A. J. Milem secretary and manager for the ensuing year.

Plenty of Irrigation.

LEWISTON, Ida.—The reservoir of the Lewiston Irrigation Company, supplying the Lewiston orchard tracts with water, has been filled by the most remarkable flow of water. The ground is thoroughly saturated and the period for Irrigation will probably not begin as

early as usual. Fruit prospects were never better. It is considered that fruit is now so far along that there is no danger from frost.

Little Spring Wheat Sown.

WILBUR, Wash .- In this section heretofore Spring wheat has been grown, but the splendid yield of Fall wheat last Summer has encouraged farmers to sow in the Fall. Hybrid wheat is the Winter variety sown. Some Spring wheat has been sown and there is a splendid outlook for a bumper crop.

New Business House,

SAND POINT, Ida. - Parmin & Son have started a one-story brick building, across from the postoffice. The building will be 65 by 80, with a full basement.

Grange to Mect,
PULLMAN, Wash.—T. A. Hodges,
master of the Whitman County Pomona
Grange, has called a meeting for May 7
at Garfield. Farmers in this locality report the general crop conditions as the

Much Wheat Sown.

BAKER, Or,-Reports from all parts Baker and Grant counties show that there is a larger acreage of wheat than ever and with the heavy rains last week the yield promises to be large, and already contracts have been made for dis-posal of much of this at \$1 per bushel for September delivery.

Railroad Money Assured.

BOISE, Ida. - It is an assured fact that money necessary for the construction of the Boise-Butte-San Francisco Railway from Butte via Boise to tidewater at San Francisco has been raised. This will open up one of the finest territories in the Pacific Northwest.

Exhibit Model Mine Shaft.

CORVALLIS, Or. — The model mine shaft equipped with the latest improved type of drilling machine and a relief map of Oregon prepared by the Oregon Bureau of Mines, were features exhibited at the Oregon Agricultural College recently. The map will be sent to San Francisco for the fair.

To Appoint Assistant.

WALLA WALLA, Wash.—Charles W. Gilbreath will have an assistant in the inspection of this horticultural district. All vegetables, fruits, nursery stock and orchards are now required to be in-spected. This increases the duties of the horticultural inspector to such an extent that an assistant is necessary,

Great Prospects for Fish.

ASTORIA, Or .- The Columbia River salmon packers and cold storage men have set the price for raw fish during the season which begins May 1. Indications point to a great year in the fish industry.

Farmers' Association to Meet.

WALLA WALLA, Wash.—A programme is now being arranged for the Tri-County Farmers' Association meeting to be held in Walla Walla April 17. Co-operation among the farmers in this section is the keynote.

To Experiment With Maggot.

PULLMAN, Wash.—Professor M. A. Yothers will leave tomorrow for Puyal-lup, where he will spend considerable time in conducting experiments with the cabbage root maggot.

Northwestern Will Handle Fruit.

HOOD RIVER, Or.—The Fruit Growers' Exchange has contracted with the Northwestern Fruit Exchange to handle its fruit for another year and will build a warehouse in the Odeli community.

Box Factory Opens.

LEAVENWORTH, Wash .- The factory of the Lamb-Davis Lumber Company began operation this week employment to a large number of people The Leavenworth Lumber Company sawmill also has started and reports enough contracts in sight to insure a busy sea-

Many Cattle Fed.

WALLA WALLA, Wash.—Grant Cope-land is feeding 1200 head of cattle on his land is feeding 1200 head of cattle on his Hooper, Wash., ranch. He has arranged for the transportation of 200 head of cattle from the Hudson Bay country to the ranch. Cattle are in exceptionally fine condition for this time of the year through this territory.

Log Drives Easy.
NORTH YAKIMA, Wash.—The Cascade Lumber Company reports 35,000,000 feet in their ponds at the present time. The splendid rains during the past two weeks have raised the water to such an extent that log drives were easy. Two hundred men have been engaged in rounding up this drive.

Hard to Explain.

Cummings and Weisner were business

rivals. One day at the club they fell to talking.

"Do you carry any life insurance?" queried Cummings. "Yes," was the answer. "I have \$10,-000."
"Made payable to your wife?" asked

Cummings.
"Yes," said Weisner.
"Well," asked Cummings, "what kind of an excuse do you pull off to your wife for living?"—New York Times.

